TEHRAN, June 15 (R). - Spain hopes to sign a trade

Spanish King visits Peking today

agreement with China during a visit by King Juan Carlos to Peking starting tomorrow, Foreign Minister Marcelino Oreja Aguirre said here today. He said the agreement would be the framework for relations between Spain and China, which established formal ties in 1973. Madrid now wanted deeper contacts with Peking, he sald. Mr. Oreja told a press conference that If there was any Soviet displeasure over King Juan Carlos' visit to China -- his first to a communist country since he was crowned in November 1975 -- it had not been expressed on the diplomatic level.

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# Their Majesties King Hussein and Queen Noor are married in ceremony at Zahran Palace



Following the Royal wedding ceremony on Thursday, Their Majestles King Husseln and Queen Noor are joined at the receiving line by Mr. and Mrs. Najeeb Halaby.



During the wedding ceremony Their Majesties King Hussein and Queen Noor clasp hands watched by (from left to right) Crown Prince Hassan, Chief Justice Ibrahim Qattar and Prince Mekammad.



AMMAN, June 15 (Agencies). — His Majesty King Hussein and Miss Noor Halaby were married here this afternoon and Miss Halaby was proclaimed Queen, according to a statement from the Royal Hashemite Court. Following is the full text of the official announcement as carried by the Jordan News Agency.

"The Royal Hashemite Court has great pleasure in announcing to the beloved Jordanian people that His Majesty King Hussein and Miss Noor Halaby, the daughter of Mr. Najeeb Halaby, were married at 5:00 p.m. Thursday, the 15th of June, 1978 at Zahran Palace.

"The marriage ceremony of His Majesty King Hussein and the Moslem Miss Halaby was conducted by the Islamic chief justice in the presence of Their Royal Highness' Prince Mohammad and Prince Hassan, members of the Hashemite Family, Mr. Najeeb Halaby and members of the Halaby family, the prime minister, the president of the Upper House, the president of the National Consultative Council, the chief of the Royal Hashemite Court, the minister of the Royal Hashemite Court and the commander-in-chief of the armed forces.

"Following the wedding ceremony. Their Majesties. King Hussein and Queen Noor received senior members of the government, army and diplomatic corps and their wives who presented their congratulations and expressed their best wishes for the happiness and prosperity of Their Majesties hoping that this happy occasion will usher in a prosperous and blessed beginning for Jordan and its people."

The 26-year-old bride, looking radiant in a simple white silk Dior wedding dress, signed her new name of Noor Al Hussein (Light of Hussein) in Arabic on the marriage contract.

She seemed posed and confident throughout the fourinute ceremony, which consisted of signing the contract and the coupla reciting the marriage vows as set out in the Quran. The bride, with a band of woven white flowers holding

her hair in place, beld a string of white orchlds while a long, white vell trailed behind her. Afterwards, the couple went out to pose for photographs, both smiling and the bride had to hold ber veil as a light

breeze pulled it under her feet. The couple then went on to cut a one-metre high seven-tier cake in the gardens of the sandstone Zahran Palace where the

ceremony took place. The bride wore white diamond earrings and a diamond bracelet and smiled broadly. She was the only woman at the

Apart from the bride's father, also present were Their es Crown Prince Hassan and Prince Mohammad

The wife of U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance, Grace, was present at the reception; she is an old friend of the bride's

After the signing of the marriage contract the couple clasped each other's right hands and later the two princes kissed their new sister-in-law lightly on each cheek, and said

When the couple came out for photographs an army band struck up "Colonel Bogey".

The bride joins a select band of American women who have married royalty. The others include Grace Kelly who married Prince Rainier of Monaco and Hope Cooke who married the ruler of Sikkim.

# PLO man in Kuwait shot dead

KUWAIT, June 15 (Agencies). — Mr. Ali Yasin, considered to be a "moderate" representative of the Palestinian movement, was ahot dead in Kuwait today and the Fateh commando organisation, of which be was a member, accused the rulers of Iraq of responsi-

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ts said an autopsy revealed he had been hit by eight bullets. Mr. Yasin, 43, was a founder member of Fateh. Informed sources in Kuwait

said that Mr Yasin was shot when be answered the door at his bome. He had been PLO representative in Kuwait since 1971.

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of safe conduct. Mr. Yasin's killing comes six r the months after the assassination of Sa'id Hamami, PLO representative in London last January. An extremist Palestiniao group claimed responsibility, charging Mr. Hamami supported efforts to launch an Arab-Israeli dial-

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Chairman Yasser Arafat, "He

was not the talkative type. He kept his statements to a mini-

mum," one Palestiniao source

Several times in recent years,

Mr. Yasin was instrumental in

persuading extremist hijackers

who landed in Kuwait to sur-render after securing promises

Sources here described him

used in the killing.

# October elections expected in U.K.

LONDON, June 15 (R). — Britain today expected a general election in October after its minority Lahour government only just scraped through a tense confidence vote in parliament. Opinion polls showed the Labour Party and the opposition

Conservatives running neck to neck, with 45.5 per cent for each Last night's confidence vote demonstrated that Prime Minister James Callaghan's government cannot bope to survive In parliament for another 16 months until it mandate expires next year. It survived the vote on its economic policy, by 287 votes to 282, after Mr. Callaghan had threatened to dissolve parliament and precipitate a general election next month if he

The small Liberal Party is committed to support the government on confidence issues under a pact wblch expires when the present session of parliament ends next month. But the 13 Liberal members of parliament, who feel they have been handled roughly by Chancellor of the Exchequer (Finance Minister) Denis Healey, allowed the government to survive last oight by merely abstaining in the confidence vote. The Liberals have already announced they will not renew the unique pact with Labour which they entered with the declared aim of belping the government to tackle the nation's economic woes. Politicians said last night's parliamentary arithmetic made the expected October election almost certain.

reportedly threatens to

# Rightists turn back U.N. troops trying to deploy in S. Lebanon

BEIRUT, June 15 (R).- Rightist militias turned back United Nations troops who tried to enter an area under their control in southern Lebanon today, informed sources said. The sources gave no details, but said there seemed to be no immediate prospect of the U.N. peace-keeping force (UNIFIL) deploying in the volatile border region.

The leaders of three rightist end militiamen. militias told Israeli-based reporters at the border yesterday that their men would fight any U.N. troops who tried to take over their positions.

Western military sources reported some trouble today between the rightists themselves at their headquarters in Marieyoun, in the eastern sector They said there was conflict between rightwing soldiers who were still nominally attached to the regular Lebanese army

Maj. Sa'd Haddad, overall commander of the rightist forces was trying to end the factional squabble. The sources said the situa-

tion was confused and details

of the incident were not yet known. The reports came amid continuing controversy over the status of the mainly-Christian rightwing irregular forces, whl-

ch took over positions evacua-ted by Israeli troops on Tues-The militias bave so far refused to allow UNIFIL to enter a 10 kms. deep belt of territory stretching along the border from the Mediterranean to the

foothills of Mount Hermon. The military sources said Western diplomats believed Is-

rael was trying to maintain co-ntrol of this "security belt" through its alliance with the ri-U.N. Secretary General Kurt

Waldeim said yesterday the Lebanese government had provisionally recognised Maj. Heddad as de facto commander of the Lebanese forces in the area. in order to facilitate UNIFIL's mission. Prime Minister Selim Al Hoss, however, declined to confirm this today.

Dr. Al Hoss told Reuters: "There is a misunderstanding on the matter and we are trying to resolve this with the U.N. Secretariat through our U.N.

delegate. "As to the government's true stand, I have already expressed this in my statement yes-

terday:" The prime minister said yes-

terday that UNIFIL should be responsible for security throughout the south, without excep-

He said in his statement that military units in the area had been ordered to stay in their barracks on the entry of the U.N. force.

A Reuters correspondent in the south today reported seeing

the rightists patrolling all main roada along the border in halftrack military vehicles.

Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat, in his first public statement on the Israeli withdrawal, described it last night as a fic-titious operation which had left "internal zionists" in control of the border region. As trouble cootinued in the

south, the government held ur-gent talks with security chiefs to try and avoid renewed clashes between rival rightwing groups in the north.

The discussions focussed on

the killing of 33 peopla, including the soa of former President Sulelmao Franjieh, ln an attack by Phalaogist Party members on the mountain resort of Ihden on Tuesday.

Relatives of the dead, suppor-ters of Mr. Franjleh's parliamentary bloc, yesterday vowed to take bloody revenge on the kil-

# Belgian premier resigns

BRUSSELS, June 15 (R). — Belgian Prime Minister Leo Tindemans today submitted his resignation but King Ba-udouin asked for time to decide whether to accept it, it was announced here.

The prime minister's resignation followed an all-night cabinet session at which two major parties in the four-party coalition, Mr. Tindemans' Social Christian and the Socialists, failed to agree on how

to tighten public spending.

The official announcement said: "The prime minister offered the king his government's resignation. The king asked to reserve his reply."

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Jane II (R). — Italian nt Giovanni Leone toht announced his resignation In the face of accusations of tax evasion and financial irre-

Speaking in a nation-wide television broadcast, Mr. Leone, The situation in Panama was reported at the White House to have quietened down this morning but the information are? 69, said he made the decision to counter sensational reports about his financial affairs.

"The moment in which the defamatory campaign seemed to have struck the confidence of political forces, my choice could not be anything else but this," Mr. Leone said. Senate President Amintore

Fanfani, 70, becomes interim bead of state pending the election of a new president by the two houses of parliament and representatives of Italy's 20 re-

In his broadcast, Mr. Leone declared: "I have a duty to tell you -- and you as Italian citizens have the right to be assured by me -- that for six-years-and-a-half you have had an honest man as president of the republic.

"I maintain I have served the country with constitutional propriety and moral dignity."

Mr. Leone, who was dua to end his seven-year term in the largely ceremonial office of head of state in December, added that he had no regrets about resigning.

He ended his recorded message by saying simply: "I hope for progress and justice in civil

The crisis of the presidency. coming only weeks after the trauma of the murder of ex-Premier Aldo Moro, moved to a swift climax tonight after the powerful Communist Party demanded Mr. Leone's resigna-

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led by Defence Minister Moshe

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The sources sald Mr. Begin

He was the first head of state to be forced from office in Italy since the fall of Fascism. Former President Antonio Se-

life for you and our country."

gni resigned prematurely health reasons in 1964.

uld topple the government, but would not necessarily mean new elections. Another leader could be chosen by his Likud bloc to form a new cabinet to rule uotil the next scheduled election in 1981.

Washington the firm commit-The cabinet crisis has overshadowed renewed reports that Premier Begin's ill heaopen threats to resign if he Ith may cut short his term in office, But rumours that Mr. fails to carry his cabinet, but nister say be would not car-Begin is refusing to bave nery out a cahinet decision that eded heart surgery were discounted by his personal secret-

ary.
"I spoke to his doctors yesterday and was assured that his heart is 100 per cent and bis pressure is like that of a 17-year-old," the secretary told reporters.

Premier Begin has proposed plan granting 1.1 million Palestinians in the West Bank and Gaza autonomy. The plan states that Israel would review the arrangements after five

The United States is suggesting that the Begin plan be negotiated as an interim measure and it wants Israel to agree to further talks at the end of the transition period. The Palestinians also should be given a voice in determining their future, according to Washington.

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# Troubles north and south

The events in Lebanon during the past week do not lend much weight to the old argument that, with time, everything works itself out in fine Phoenician form. Rather, it would probably be more accurate to say that with time everything in Lebanon will end up with a bullet through its heart. The latest act of savagery that resulted in the death of Tony Franjieh and his family and supporters would be enough to turn any country into one big state of emergency. But in Lebanon, one's sensibilities have been so shocked during the past three years that it becomes almost impossible for any single act of madness to stand out from the general madness that reigns there.

The fact that Israel's occupation army has withdrawn from the south and turned over its positions to the rag-tag forces of Major Haddad, while events in the north of Lebanon are so disquieting, is a bad sign, but another bad sign among the enormity of Lebanon's difficulties seems somehow, and sadly, unimportant.

The general lack of security that prevails throughout all of Lebanon is a fact of life in the current circumstances, and it is unrealistic to expect any major political developments while there is no central authority in the country capable of enforcing a minimal degree of security. That job is partly done by the Lebanese army, the Arab peace-keepers, the U.N. peace-keepers and the various factional armies under the command of Lebanese politicians. They are all collectively a sign of Lebanon's spirited lawlessness, and they all dramatise that no combination of foreign peace-makers can make peace as well as an indigenous Lebanese army under the control of a Lebanese leadership that has the kind of real authority that stems only from legitimacy. That legitimate authority is still lacking, and the purely domestic tragedy of northern Lebanon this week is probably more a cause of this than a symptom.

### ARAB PRESS COMMENTARY

Commenting on the fighting which broke out in north Lebanon between supporters of ex-President Suleiman Franjieh and the Phalangist Party, in which Franjieh lost his son and several dozen people were killed on both sides, AL RA'I Thursday noted that the fighting broke out in the north just as the Israeli forces were pulling out from the south.

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The newspaper asks whether a new Lebanon could arise from the ashes of such vendettas. It says the state should assert its authority in the north through the Arab League Deterrent Force as it is trying to assert itself in the south through the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon; otherwise, the massacres will continue into which the National Liberal Party might

be dragged as well.

Al Ra'l thinks that the arrival of the Arab Deterrent Force on the scene of clashes came in the nick of time to contain a plot to divide Lebanon into communal mini-states and to impose order and security. Therefore, the newspaper says, the legitimate Lebanese authority has to think seriously about allowing the deterrent force to be deployed in areas from which it has hitherto been kept out, such as the Maronite areas in the north. "before it is too late."

### NOTICE TO OUR READERS

The Jordan Times has started publishing a weekly rundown of events and activities taking place in Jordan. The section is called Jordan Weekly Calendar and will appear each Friday for a look at the week ahead.

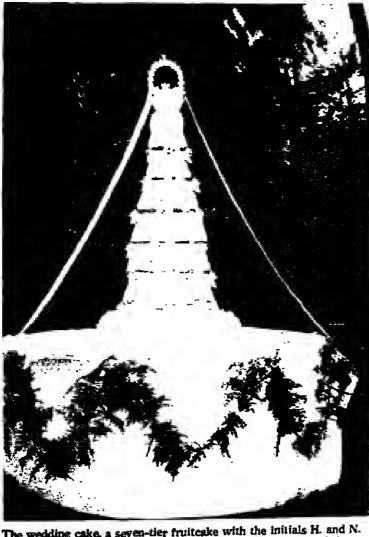
We invite all clubs, societies, cultural centres and schools to inform us of their activities, exhibitions, meetings and outings that are open to the public. Help us help you to publicise your public events: charity bazaars, school open days, concerts, art, photo or commercial exhibitions, theatrical performances, films, lectures and sporting events.

Be sure to inform us of your activities in plenty of time for these items to be published in the weekly listing.

The Jordan Times will also continue to publish daily notices of events under the WHAT'S GOING ON section each day as well as the weekly listing.

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# Scenes from the royal wedding



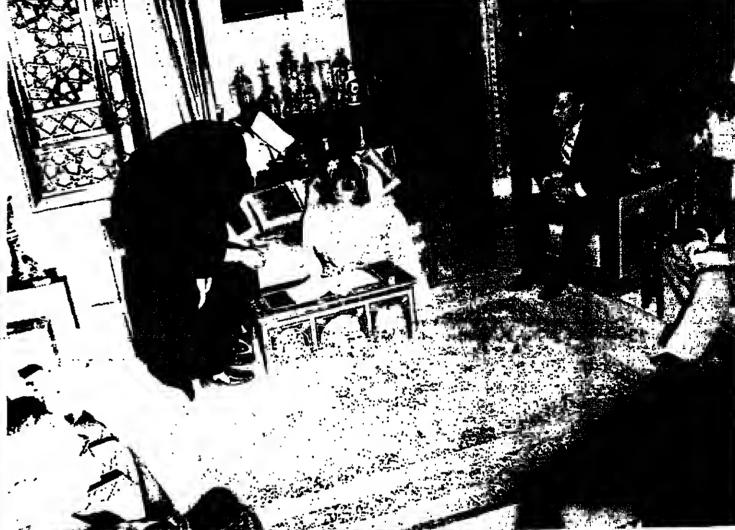
The wedding cake, a seven-tier fruitcake with the initials H. and N. at its crest, stands on a decorated table in the garden of Zahran



His Majesty King Hussein signs the marriage document Thursday at the Zahran Palace ceremony. To his left are Her Majesty Queen Noor. His Highness Prince Mohammad and the bride 's father Najeob Halaby. To his right is Chief Justice Ibrahim Qattan



A member of the Royal Cavalry Guard stands at attention.



Her Majesty Queen Noor signs the marriage document



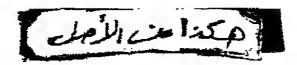
The King and Queen pose for members of the press.

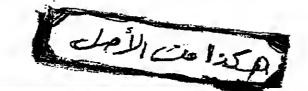


King Husseln wields the golden sword with which he is about to out the wedding cake.









# Jordan Weekly Calendar

#### (Week of June 16-June 22) **EXHIBITS**

ONTINUING: "Britain and the World of Islam" is the title of an exhibition based on the World of Islam Festival which was held in Britain in 1976. The exhibition includes pictures, photographs, posters, records and films, plus an exhibition of over 400 British books on the Middle East. British Council. 9:00 a.m.-1.00 p.m. and 4:00 to 6:00 pm. daily except Sunday. Till June 24.

MONDAY, June 19: Photo exhibit on the occasion of the USSR Youth Day. Soviet Cultural Centre. 6:30 p.m.

#### FILMS

UESDAY, June 20: "Britain and the World of Islam" films. British Council garden. 8:15 p.m. daily for three days.

UESDAY, June 20: Russian ballet film festival opens today with "The Legend of the Hunchbacked Horse." Soviet Cultural Centre. 6:30

HURSDAY, June 22: "Spartacus". Second film in the Russian ballet film festival. Soviet Cultural Centre. 6:30 p.m.

#### **LECTURE**

HURSDAY, June 22: "Archaeological Sites to Expiore This Summer in Jordan," by Dr. James A. Sauer of the American Center of Oriental Research. Includes slide presentation. slide presentation. American Community School, Multi-purpose Room.

#### **ENTERTAINMENT**

RIDAY, June 16: A folk music programme performed by the Haya Arts Centre Children's Chorus of Ruseifa. Haya Arts Centre Public Park. 4:30 p.m. Open invitation.



A selection of drums featured in the World of Islam Festival in Britain in 1976: double naggara from Rahat, Morocco; square duff po from Fez, Morocco; three defs or tambourines from Damascus, Syria; a large dairs with rings to jingle, inlaid all over the front with khatam work, Tehran, Iran; an agoual, tall gobiet drum from Fez, Morocco; and six examples of the tarijas used by children in

# National News Roundup



Hannah Odeh, President of the National Planning Council re) and the Ambassador of the People's Democratic Republic rea (left) sign a cooperation agreement at the National Plan-

Council Thursday. ian, North Korea sign detailed cooperation

### agreement

AMMAN, June 15 (JNA). - Jordan and the Peo-Democratic Republic of Korea (North Korea) ed here today an agreement providing for cooperain science, education, literature, art, public health, sical education, sports and games, the exchange of lications, radio and television programmes and the hange of visits in this respect within a cuitural promme iasting one to two years. The agreement was ed by the president of the National Pianning Counand the ambassador of the People's Democratic Reiic of Korea in Amman.

On the happy occasion of the marriage of His Majesty King Hussein to Miss Noor Halaby, The Amerion Women of Amman extend congratulations and best wishes to the Royal Couple and the Jordanian family.

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#### Land transport agreement with Greece initialled in Amman

AMMAN, June 15 (JNA). — An agreement aimed at organising transport of passengers and goods between Greece and Jordan was initialled in Amman today. The agreement defines technical specifications and loads of vehicles passing through both countries and the application of national laws in the absence of customs documents. The agreement was initialled for Jordan by the Director of transport at the Ministry of Transport Mr. Ya'coub Haddad and for Greece by Mr. Vassilios Karavias, a director at the Greek Ministry of Coordination and pianning.

#### National childrens organisation discusses merging committees

AMMAN, June 15 (JNA). - The National Committee, for Children an affiliate of the Charitable Societies Union, today held a meeting during which a working plan to merge the different child committees into one was discussed. The new committee will issue publications on guiding mothers in child care. The meeting was attended by representatives of the Arab Womens Union and child education supervisors.

#### Postal Savings Fund to increase investments by JD 350,000

AMMAN, June 15 (JNA). — The Postal Savings Fund board has decided to increase its share in a number of industrial and commercial establishments by JD 350,000, which will bring its total contribution up to JD 1,500,000. During a meeting chaired by the minister of communications, the board decided to launch a campaign in the rural areas to encourage people to save. The board also reviewed the activities of the fund during the last five months and discussed the possibility of opening new branches throughout the Kingdom.

# Short list formed of eight consultant firms Hijaz Railway feasibility

By Ian Kellas Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN, June 18 — The na-mes of the eight consultant firms short listed for the contract to carry out a feasibility study of "one of the biggest projects in the Middle East" -- the reconstruction of the an-cient Hijaz Railway, were dis-closed today to the Jordan

Mr. Hashem Taher, Under Secretary at the Ministry of Transport, said that the Sup-Transport, said that the Sup-reme Commission of the Hijaz Railway, had given approval during its meeting at the begin-ning of this week In Damas-cus to the following short list of mainly joint venture com-panies chosen from among 21 applicants:

-- Transmark, Rendel Palm-er and Tritton; Mott, Hay and Anderson (a joint venture of British firms).

-- Sotecni (of Italy); the Economic Intelligence Unit (of the

-- Freeman Fox Int. Ltd. (U.K.); Hunderson Hughes and Busby (U.K.); Pracs (of Pak--- Tippette, Abbett, McCarthy

and Stratton (TAMS, of the U.S.); Canadian Pacific, Tecsult Int. Ltd. (Canada). -- Canac Consults Ltd. (Can-

-- Sofrerail, Sogelerg, SGTR (France); Parsons Prinkerhoff Centec Int. Ltd. (of the U.S.). -- Delew Cather Int Inc. (U.S.); Louis Berger Int Inc. (US.); Rites (India).

-German Consult; Swindell Dressler Int. Co. (U.S.). (The list is in no special or-

These companies will now be asked to submit financial bids and the technical details of how they propose to conduct a fe-asibility study for the 1,300

TRANSPORT

MINISTER

**RETURNS** 

AMMAN, June 15 (JNA)

Minister of Transport

Ali Al Suheimat returned

from Damascus today after

aking part in the meeting

of the Supreme Commiss-

ion for the reopening of the

Hijaz Railway.



The Supreme Commission of the Hijaz Railway is seen in joint session in Damascus with the Technical Committee of the project Mr. Ali Al Suheimat, Minister of Transport (right in light suit) is seated between Mr. Hashem Taher, Under-secretary at the Ministry of Transport and the Saudi Arabian delegation. The Syrian team is on the left.

km. standard-gauge line from Damascus to Medina. These offers must be in no later than

The Technical Committee of the railway will then select the most favourable bid at its meeting in Riyadh, scheduled for the second half of October and this decision will be submitted for approval to the Supre-me Commission of the Hijaz Railway, which is composed of the Jordanian and Syrian ministers of transport and the Saudi Arablan minister of com-

Mr. Taher said that the contract would be signed before

the end of the year. The successful company then bas 13 months in which to draw up its easibility report.

Terms of reference for the study were also approved at this week's meeting of the Supreme Commission in Damascus. The successful company will be given a wide brief to study the economic advantages of the line to suggest a possible alignment for the track, to propose bow many stations will

be required and so on, Neither the financing nor the administrative details of tha project were discussed at the Damascus meeting, and Mr.

Taher said that these issues were unlikely to be raised until the consultants for the feasibility report have been cho-

He added however that he was sure that "all sides are now serious" about going ahead with the project.

# LOCAL **EXCHANGE RATES**

# Budgets for trade centres

AMMAN, June 15 (JNA). — The Board of Administration of Jordanian trade centres abroad today held a meeting at the Ministry of Industry and Commerce during which

abroad discussed at meet

the 1977 and the 1978 budgets were discussed. Minister of Industry and Commerce Hashem Dabbas said that the meeting reviewed the table of distribution of the sum of JD 1,750,000 for the Baghdad centre and the sum of \$2 million for the Cairo centre.

The commercial protocol signed between Jordan and Sudan last Sunday was also reviewed along with the sum allocated for the Khartoum centre and which totalled \$1,500,000.

# Jordanian file

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# Amman Stock Exchange Report

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	Jordan Phosphate Mines	$\boldsymbol{w}$	1.000	1,548	2,200	2.300	2.250	
	Housing Bank	JD	1.000	115	1.150	1.200	1.150	
	Jordan - Gulf Bank	Œ	1.000	1,690	_	1.800	1.800	
	Arab Aluminium Co	JD	1.000	712	0.950	1.000	0.950	
	Industrial, Commercial and Agricultural Co.	JD.	1.000	433	2.400	2.500	2.450	
	Jordan Dairy Co.	JD.	1.000	67	_	_	1.350	
	Jordan Spinning and Weaving Co	JD.	1.000	595	0.850	0.950	0.850	
	Garage Owners Federation Office Co	ND.	1.000	1.404	4.500	_	4.500	
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# Jordan Meteorological Department updates techniques to improve forecasts

By Alan Martiny Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN, June 15 - The Jordan Meteorological Department has a forecasting accuracy of about 80 to 85 per cent, according to the department's Director General, A. I. Aban-

In a recent interview Mr. Abandah told the Jordan Times that one of the difficulties in accurate reporting in Amman is the vast diversity in conditions in the area from the airport to Shmeisani.

"In the hrief weather report given each day we have to give an accurate forecast for the entire Amman area. But weather conditions on Jabal Amman can differ widely from Shmeisani," he noted.

An example of the diversity in weather is one day when 550 ml of rain fell at the uni-versity while only 200 ml. fell at the airport.

On occasioo people have criticised the weather station for reporting scattered showers in Amman when none appeared in their area. "But we would bave to make a forecast for every valley and mountain to he totally accurate," Mr. Abandah

A good proverb for weather forecasters, Mr. Abandah said

If you hit nobody remembers, If you miss nobody forgives. Nevertheless, the Jordan weather department has a stand-

ard of forecasting equal to that of most of Europe, he said. Jordan's weather station was started as a division attached to the Civil Aviation Department at Jerusalem airport in 1952 and Amman airport in 1954. The weather station was then engaged in forecasting weather for aeronautical purposIt became an independent de-partment in 1963 attached to the Ministry of Transport. In June 1967 the Jerusalem station fell under Israeli control.

The department developed rather quickly from its initial small team to about 260 employees at present.

The department at the moment has one main synoptic station, one upper air station, eight agrometrological stations and 30 climalogical stations.

Financing comes from the government and all workers are government employees.

Main services

The main function of the weatber department is weather obser-vation, forecasting and documentation for civil and military aviation. There are three forecasting offices at Amman airport for civil aviation purposes, one at Mafrak and one at H-5 for military purposes.

A second service the atation performs is to study the wea-ther for agricultural purposes. This includes analysing and re-porting the effect of the weather and climate upon the planting of crops. The weather department cooperates with the Ministry of Agriculture in this

A third function is to supply weather forecasts and warnings to the general public. The station issues a forecast to the newspapers and television once daily and four times daily to the radio in times of severe weather conditions a warning is issued to the Civil Defence Department.

The fourth service is to give advise and answer inquiries about the weather and climate for engineering construction, town planning, factory planning and tourism. The department also answers personal inquiries. But advising is done on an irregular basis according to the need.

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Map showing mean annual rainfall from Irbid to Aqaba and

including part of the West Bank and the eastern deserts of

now in the Gulf. Another problem facing the

> many people. physics and mathematics

The department is now working on plans to train foreigners in forecasting. North Yemen has expressed interest in having seven of its people take the nine-month course.

weather observers.

Instrumentation

The weather station aquires chanical electrical and tele-

The traditional and mecha-

The department boasts an entirely Jordanian staff. At the beginning the department had foreign World Meteorological Organisation (WMO) experts involved in the operation to help raise the standard to that required by the WMO. But since then the department has maintained the operation on its

The WMO is an international organisation which links weather stations around the world and maintains world standards by requiring a relatively high standard for membership. For training new recruits the

department has a training cen-tre located in the main station at the airport. High school graduates are eligible to train as weather observers and university graduates for weather forecasters according to WMO standards.

A six-month training programme is required for all new personnel to become weather observers. However, a weather observer must conclude a further nime months of training

to qualify as a forcaster.

Asked if the department encountered any major problems, Mr. Abandah noted that staff-ing was the higgest problem. "It is difficult to find people willing to work in remota sta-

Another problem has been the increasing brain drain of workers leaving the department to take jobs either inside or outside Jordan. This bas had a very drastic effect on the de-partment. People have left from all areas of the work; forecasters, observers and techni-

As a matter of fact the former director general left and is now the project manager for WMO in North Yemen.

"The department has been a big exporter of qualified staff over the past few years, Ma-ny of the weather bureau staff in Kuwait are former employe-es," Mr. Abandah said.

According to his record, 24 forecasters and 24 technical asistants trained here and are

department is the extended period it takes to become a forecaster. A forecaster needs at least three years. Once graduated from a university, it is necessary to take a six-month course to become an observer and another nine-month course to become forecaster followed by a period of on-the-job training. This is not attractive to

At the moment the department has a team of 20 forecasters all with degrees in

The training centre last month graduating 17 students as

its information from four types of instruments; traditional, me-

communications equipment. nical equipment includes the thermograph for recording temperature the anemograph



This equipment is used for receiving satellite photos of cloud formations.

for recording wind velocity, the hygrograph for recording humidity and the barometre for measuring air pressure.

Electrical equipment is also used for measuring tempera-ture, wind velocity, humidity and air pressure. Remote electrical sensors are used in measuring visibility and cloud ba-

The department has a telecommunications system to col-lect, receive and transmit information. The station is linked to its sub-stations around Jordan by a trancelver network. Jordan is linked to the worldwide WMO network hy teleprinters, facsimile, transmitters and teleprinters.

The station makes use of an artificial satellite to get daily photographs of the distribution of clouds and frontal systems. The department started using the satellite photo system in 1973. Mr. Ahandah said the department appliesd for the new APT (automatic picture transmitter) system in 1977 and expect it at any moment. The new satellite and photo transmitter system are American supplied. The present system provides nine photos each day. But the new system will give a photo every six minutes, making weather analysis easier. Also the photos from the new APT system are more detailed and clearer.

Mr. Abandah sald the density of weather stations in Jordan is sufficient for the WMO requirement. Each year the number and quality of stations

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is reviewed for modification. In the southeast, in the desert where manned stations are difficult, provisions are being made to install automatic recording stations like those commonly used in the remote polar

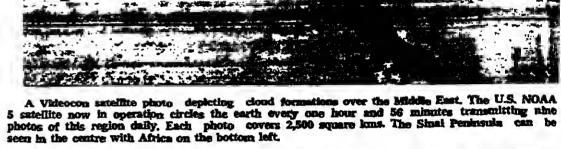
regions.
The standard of equipment used in Jordan is almost the same as that in any developed or developing country apart from those using computers in forcasting. But Mr. Aban-dah noted that there is a chance the department might be able to get a modest computer.

Computer forecasting however is only 50 to 80 per cent accurate while forecasting by an experienced man can be up to 85 or 90 per cent accurate.
"The standard of forecasting depends on the qualifications

and experience of the forecaster. Computer forecasting is less accurate than human forecasting." "Mr. Abandah said. The best forecaster is someone who has experience in a particular area for a long time who knows the ideosyncracies of the region. The computer can only be as accurate and effective as the forecaster who uses it and the quality of the information it is fed.

Jordan's weather

In general there is a hig fluctuation in the amount of rainfall from year to year. But in the last ten years the amount of rainfall has been decreasing, with the exception of 1973 which was well above normal.



The average annual rainfall in Jordan is 300 ml. But the average can fluctuate from 120 ml. in a bad year to 460 ml. in a

good year. The temperature in the last ten years has also been de-creasing although it had been increasing after the 1940's. Mr. Abandah attributes the

temperature increase after the 1940's to an increase of carbon dloxide in the air due to the increased burning of fuels. The temperature decrease in this decade he attributes to the increase of aerosols in the air.

The meteorological department has one air pollution station in Shobak, Air pollution, Mr. Abandah says, is not a re-

al problem in Jordan, in general, except in Amman where at certain periods during the winter the combined effect of the heating, cars, small factories and big factories such as the cement factory, phosphate fac-tory and the refinery raise the poliution level.

The pollution level is especially high in the valleys in Amman where the smokes accumulate with a higher concentration. Mr. Abanda believes the le-

vel of pollution is bound to in-crease with the increase in industrialisation.

In his three years at the Meteorological Department Mr. Ahandah has developed a for-

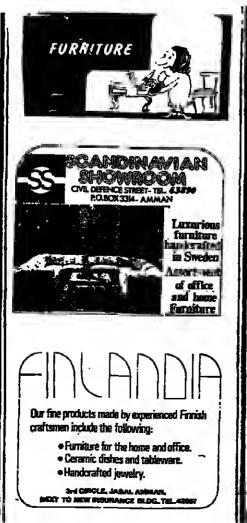
mula for forecasting seasonal rainfall in Jordan. The formula, based on 25 years of records from eight stations representing different parts of Jordan, forcasts at the beginning of November the rainfall to be expected before April. The formula is of particular interest for Jordanian agriculture as it gives farmers an acurate look at what amount of rain to expect and how much to plant.

The formula is based on an analysis of a number of fac-tors in the Mediterranean region over the month of October. Mr. Abandah presented the formula and his study at the National Water Symposium held in Amman in March 1978.



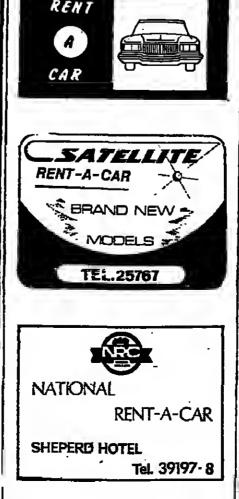












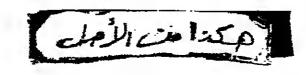


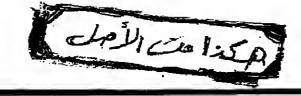
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ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Talk over mutual affairs with associates and then follow through with the work that has to be done by you. A better understanding with loved one is possible now.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Take care of choras so you have more free time with partners. Come to a better understanding with co-workers also.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) Make social plans for later and then get busy at the tasks ahead of you. Be more cooperative with fellow workers. Show more thoughtfulness for loved one.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) Handle matters at home diplomatically and wisely. Early evening is best for recreation with close friends.

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) Study bills, statements for accuracy. Handle family affairs intelligently. Make sure the basic structure of your life is on a more firm basis. VIRGO Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) A good time to handle

mancial affairs now that you are thinking clearly. Get ideas across to others well also. Spend some time visiting with good friends.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Plan early how to gain your personal sims and then get into business dealings wisely. Take health treatments you may need.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Study what you don't understand so that later it's full speed shead with your work. Find s new way to please mate, loved one.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Put that plan to work that will bring your personal aims closer. Try to assist a good friend who is having trouble. Get all the facts first.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Get backing you need from a bigwig. Show you are receptive to what others have to say, Make the most of this information,

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Get the information you oeed so that you get a new ingenious interest started. Plan that trip you have in mind before you start your work. PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) Sort out bills and pay the most pressing ones.

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# World Football Cup

### New favourite Holland defeats Austria

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina, June 15 (AP). — It's goals that win the World Soccer Cup. Johnny Rep of Holland, Dirceu of Brazil and Mario Kempes of Argentina each scored two as the second round started and the hopes of their teams went sky-high. Holland scored five against Austria, and suddenly became the new favourite. Goals can lift a team's spirts like champagne.

"Holland is the team to be-at," said Enzo Bearzot, coach of Italy, one of the Dutch squad's most serious rivals,

"It gives a team a big psychological advantage to win by a big margin as Holland did today," said Claudio Coutinho, manager of Brazil.

On the other hand West Germany, tha defending champions, appeared pleased to hold the highly rated Italian team to a 0-0 draw. It was the Germans' third acoreless tie in four games since the tournament started -- and coach Helmut Schoend went out of his way to denty it was part of a plan.

"Our strategy is not purely defensive," Schoen said "We very much wanted to win. It would be false to claim that we set out to defend."

But Sepp Maier, Germany's 34-year-old veteran of three World Cup campaigns, is the only goalkeeper in the tournament who has not yet conced-

ed a single goal. The second round is played in two groups of four teams. with the top team in each group going into the final at Buenos Aires' River Plate Sta-

dium June 25. First matches in the second round Wednesday ended like

Group A: Holland 5, Austria I - at Co-Italy 0, West Germany 0 --

at River Plate, Buenos Aires. Group B: Brazil 3, Peru 0 -- at Mend-

Argentina 2. Poland 0 -- at

The best goals of the day were scored by Kempes of Argentina. They carried bls team through to victory despite an almost continuous bombardment of their goal by the Pol-

at full speed into the penalty, got under a ling high ball and headed down into the corner of the net. In the 72nd minute he walt-

In the 15th minute he raced

zed through the tough Polish defence on his own for a solo goal.

Dirceu's pair for Brazil we-re also impressive. The first was a free-kick, blasted in from outside the penalty area. The second was from 25 metres.

The teams now have three days of rest before the next games Sunday.

### Venezuela has oil reserves for 100 years

CARACAS, Venezuela Juoe 15, itiooal fields, which have been is believed to hold a potential of (AP)- The head of the state oil monoply said vesterday that Veoezuela has enough proven and potential reserves to continue produciog 2,2 million barrels a day for 100 years.

Rafael 'Alfonzo Ravard, President of Petroleos de Venezuela, reserves of around 60 billioo bartold a convention of businessmeo proven reserves of 18 billion harrels could be increased to 30 billion harrels in the country's trad- River in southeastern Venezuela,

ecotury. New areas under recoverable, tarlike oil. development offer a potential conservatively estimated at 30 hillion barrels, he added.

The minister stressed that this estimate of proven and potential reis did oot icelude the Orinoco oil belt. The belt, which runs along the northern hank of the Orinoco

producing since the turn of the close to 70 billion barrels of

He said oil operations io Venezuela, in state bands since 1976, face increasingly greater costs. He eited world inflation, deeper drilling, offsbore exploration and development of technologies to produce and process heavy

# Arab oil company

YORK, June (AP). - The New York City areas of Harlem and the South Bronx ahare a high unemployment rate that has attracted the attention of an Arab oil company that says

it needs workers.
Prudential Internstional Commodites, Inc., based in Beirut, Lebanon, said yesterday it was here looking for workers for construction projects in the Middle East and also hoped to start new business vectures in the United States.

The company announced at a news cooference in Harlem that it would invest up to \$40 million in new businesses in Harlem and the South Bronx, areas populated most-ly by Blacks and Puerto Ric-

Roy Inns, National Director of the Congress of Racial Equality, said Prudential'a venture was sought and welcomed by the Black community and the capital would be put to work quickly without the timidity or red tape of

American private and public enterprises.

Sheik Hamzi Bedria, Prudential Board Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, said his company wanted to hire immediately 10,000 to 12,000 skilled and semiskilled laborers, such as carpenters and other construction workers. They would be hired on a contract basis to work in the Mideast where the manpower

does not exist, ha said. He sald Prudential also was looking into the possibility of operating food-canning businesses in New York City and establishing "profitmaking" housing in the city's poor areas, both through rehabilitation and new constru-

Prudential will contract with CORE -- the Congress of Racial Equality -- and Dennison Management, a community-based development and public relations organisstion, to operate the Harlem and South Bronx projects. He described tha deal as "strictly business -- not a

political project ... we are absolutely looking for projects to fulfill our needs."

The contract limits the investment to \$40 million, but has no timetable. The new projects probably will start in a few months, he said.

Mr. Innis said Black communities in the city have so-ught foreign investment "after years of frustration with our own (U.S.) private and governmental institutions."

Mr. Innis said proposed businesses bere included a cannery "to produce items for export to the Middle East, a factory to produce construction materials, also for Middle Eastern markets, and a housing rehabilitation project.

He said, "petro-dollars, free of the hesitation and strings of American private capital and the red tape of public funds, will be a stimulus to Harlem development and the effects will be felt throughout the Black economy.

### Three-day anti-pollution conference is attended by Mediterranean cities

RIMINI, Italy, June 15 (AP) -Delegates and Experts from 22 seaside Mediterraneao cities opened a three-day conference here yesterday to discuss antipollution plans to prevent' handing over to the next generation a sea turned into a sewer." as a report

The statement was part of an opening paper read by Jean Guyot, the French Secretary General of the Rimini-based" Uoioo of Mediterranean Cities," It was the

third conference organised by the union and was attended by more than 500 delegates and experts from the 18 countries sharing the Mediterranean coastline.

The conference's main aim is to work toward a commoo approach to the ann-pollunon fight.

Mr. Guyot said sewage waters discharged into the Mediterranean were estimated to reach a total of

37 billion cubic meters by year 2000 and that an estimated 14 billion dollars would be needed to process

all this sewage water. But he added money remained a major problem with the current economic troubles of most countries and cities in the area slowing down or curring into allocations for extensive anti-pollution projects,

# THE BETTER HALF By Barnes

'Maybe she's not really sick, but just pouting because she's found out she was adopted."

### FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES LONDON MARKET REPORT

LONDON, (R). — Following are the buying and selling rates for leading world currencles against the dollar at the close of interbank trading on the London foreign exchange market last night, Tourist rates will differ from those quoted below.

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Government bonds firmed Thursday and equities were lower in quiet trading, dealers said.

Government bonds were on balance as much as 1/8 point higher following the latest U.K. money supply figures, though prices started to firm after the Bank of England announced it was reducing temporarily the rate of call for special deposits from all banks, they added.

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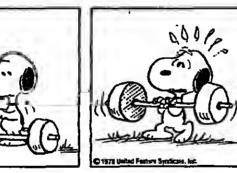
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South West North East Pass 2 Pasa 4 ♥ Pass Pass Pass Opening lead: Jack of . The development of the

play can be truly fascinating. Oo this haod declarer reached a three-card eod positioo where East-West held a winner in every suit including the master trump. Yet they could score only one trick! South's decision to jump

to four hearts, not vulnerable, ia a slight stretch. However, it is quite likely that a trial bid in a minor suit would have resulted in the same contract.

West led the jack of spades, won by the ace. The declarer, Tom Griffin of New York, who is returning to tournament play after an absence of four years, decided that his best chance was to ruff diamonds in dnmmy. As a precantion to prevent a beart return from

East, declarer first cashed one high trump, then exited with a low diamond toward dummy.

West realized that if East was allowed to wio the first diamond trick, he would have no safe return, so West rose with the queen of diamonds and returned a low spade. Dummy's oine forced

East's king and declarer ruffed. The queen of clubs lost to the ace, and the club cootinuatioo was taken hy the kiog. Oo the queen of spades declarer discarded his remaining club, theo he ruffed a club in his hand and a diamood in dummy. He returned to his hand with the king of hearts, to bring about this position:

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Declarer had already taken eight tricks, and despite the fact that the defenders controlled every suit, they were helpless to prevent him from collecting two more for his contract. Declarer led a diamond. If West ruffed, declarer would score his trumps separately; if West discarded, declarer would ruff in dummy and then ruff whichever blacksuit West retained.

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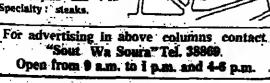
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# Vorster disbanding S. Africa's Department of Information

CAPE TOWN, South Africa, June 15 (R). - South African Prime Minister John Vorster today announced that he was disbanding the government's Information Department, which has been under attack by opposition politicians and press over its secret activities.

Mr. Vorster told parliament that the man at the centre of the controversy, Information Secretary Eschel Rhoodie, wouid retire at the end of the

The prime minister's statement follows publication of a Parliamentary committee report criticising Dr. Rhoodie for ignoring administrative regulations and for using funds "not in all cases to the best advan-

tage of the state."
The Information Department'a overt activities would be taken over hy a "bureau for national and international communication", the prime minister said.

Its secret projects would he evaluated by General Heodrik Van Den bergh, head of the Bureau for State Security --"boss" -- wbo would decide which should be continued and under which government departments.

The Parliamentary committee investigated the department after a series of allegations in newspapers of misuse of money

and of secret trips overseas by Dr. Rhoodie and by his brother. Deneys Rhoodie, Chief Director of Information until his retirement was announced last month at the heigh of the press campaign.

ough one allegation in news-

papers was that it provided fu-

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It was also accused of paying for trips for top officials

through a private travel agency.

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By Dennis Kiley of the Financial Times

qualified and experienced pe-ople that the Minister of In-

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The rewards? Not much pay

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Since 1974

The small nation consists of

about 120,000 Turkish Cypriots

who have occupied the north-

ern sector of the island sinca

the Turkish army arrived in

1974 after an attempted coup

Greek Cypriots and Turkish

Cypriots continue to argue ab-

out whose fault it all was, but

with the Turkish army bolding

the line between them at least

one thing does seem certain in the divided island -- it will

From the point of view of

a retired person thinking of spending an extended working

holiday in the Turkish sector there is certainly a good range

of problems to be tackled, eit-

her challenging or frustrating,

depending on how one chooses

For a long time, between 1963 and 1974, the Turkish Cy-

priots lived in enclaves in the

Greek-controlled island where, says Mr. Fikri, "they lost their

entrepreneurial ability and oth-

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al lobbyists.

Mr. Vorster told Parliament today that Eschel Rhoodie's retirement from the top post in the department was at his own request. But he said Dr. Rhoodie might be retained on a contract basis to help with the evaluation of the secret proiects.

Dr. Rhoodie admitted in a public statement last month that his department had been using accret funds to counter propaganda against South

Soon afterwards Mr. Vorster accepted full responsibility for the allocation of the funds. The prime minister was also angry at the campaign against

the department, The nature of the department's secret dealings has never been officially revealed, th-

### China supports OPEC efforts for Third World

CARACAS, June 15 (R). — China today expressed its support for efforts by the Organisation of Petroleum Export-

ing Countries (OPEC) to counter the exploitation of the Third World by the superpowers.

Mr. Chi Peng Fel, Vice President of the Permanent Committee of the People's National Assembly, told reporters that China supported the use of oil as a weapon by Venezuela and other OPEC members to protest the interests of developing

He said this constituted a pioneering effort by developing countries in their struggle against imperialism and begemony. Mr. Chi, who arrived here recently at the head of a Chines delegation said China was prepared to strengthen relations with Latin American countries on the principles of peaceful coexis-

Since their arrival here members of the Chinese delegation have been having talks with petroleum officials and visiting off fields in this South American country, one of the founding members of OPEC.

persons for a "working holiday"

#### LONDON, June 15 (R). — Two more Britons have been sentenced to public floggings and prison terms in Saudi Arabia for violating the Muslim country's ban on alcohol, the British Foreign Office said today. The new sentences were disclosed by Foreign Office offi-

cials as two Britons who were flogged earlier for making and distributing alcohol returned to Britain. The two who returned today,

Nigel Maidment, 27, and Brain Cooper, 35, worked for a British firm on a contract to build an airport in the town of Ha'il.

Mr. Maidment and Mr. Cooper each received 70 strokes with a cane and jail sentences of

Mr. Cooper said at Heathrow Airport here that he and his colleagues were both fit and well but made no other public

2 more Britons sentenced to public

flogging and prison in Saudi Arabia

comment on arrival. The new sentences disclosed were on two employees of the American firm Lockheed Aircraft Corporation. They were identified as John Pearson in his late 20's, sentenced to two

The official said there are five other Britons awaiting tri-al in Saudi Arabia on similar years in jail and 200 strokes, alcohol charges. The British government has and Paddy Walsh, in his late protested to Saudi Arabia ab. 50's, to 18 months and 150 out the floggings. strokes of the cane.

# Carter asking U.S. arms embarge on Turkey

WASHINGTON, June 15 (R).

— President Carter appealed anew today to Congress to lift the embargo it imposed on U.S. arms sales to Turkey after American-supplied weapons were used in that country's 1974 invasion of Cyprus.

He told a televised press conference that removing the ban was essential to the peace and security of the Eastern Mediterranean.

He said continuing the em-bargo was not contributing to a settlement of the Cyprus dispute between Turkey and Greece, a goal congress had in mind in ordering it.

The Foreign Office said the

two men were sentenced

ddah two days later. He said the embassy

June 4 and were visited by a British embassy official in Ja

working closely with the im-in considering whether an ap-peal should be made.

Instead, he said, the embargo had harmed U.S. security interests and damaged the cohesiveness of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO).

### Relations between U.S. and Cuba have lowest level

WASHINGTON, June 15 (R). — Harsh words by President Carter and a symbolic slap by Congress have underlined that relations between Cuba and the United States have fallen to their lowest level in years.

Less than a year ago, rapidly increasing contacts between the two nations led many Americans to expect a normalisation of trade and diplomatic relations. But the reaction here to Cuba's involvement in Africa ended the rapprochement. Mr. Carter, at a White House press conference yexterday, repeated his charge that Cuba helped rebels who invaded Zaire's Shaba Province from Angola last month.

Cuban President Fidel Castro has insisted that he tried to block the invasion.

Mr. Carter told a questioner the United States did not plan to retained against Cuba, but he added coolly, "Wa have a trade embargo against Cuba and no diplomatic relations." His words left the clear impression that there were no plans at present to change that situation,

# "Fabian of the Yard", legendary Scotland Yard detective, writer dies

(AP). - One of Scotland Yard's legendary detectives, Robert Fahian or "Fabian of the Yard", died hera yesterday at

The dapper sleuth prided himself on being able to follow the twists of the criminal mind, and his 28-year battle of wits with the underworld was the subject of 39 films and a television series plus two best-

EPSOM, England June 15 selling books he wrote him-

Two years ago he solved a murder case he had failed to solve 31 years ago. Since tha Statute of Limitations had long since passed, the denouement was saved for a crime wrlters' meeting.

He was awarded the King's Police Medal in 1939 for dis-mantling a bomb planted by Irish guerrillas in Piccadilly

In the Turkish sector of divided Cyprus managerial skills are very scarce. To plug some of the skilled LONDON, (F.T.). — Retired experts who still enjoy work manpower gaps the Minister of Industry and Public Enterprises is trying a novel experiment. He is inviting are urgently wanted. The northern part of Cyprus control-led by the Turks is so short of retired people who have held senior positions to come to Cyprus for an extended "working holiday".

Northern Cyprus invites

Mr. Tansel Fikri, is offering ex-tended "working holidays" to sumer society," supported by grants from the Turkish mainactive older people to try and fill the gap. Mr. Fikri, a former university This means that they lack experience in such things as economics lecturer in England, believes that management handling their own essential imports, for example, and theskills, even if acquired in very re are often shortages of thdifferent circumstances, can be applied to the problems of his part of the island, "We neings like motor-car spares, which have to be bought surrep-titiously from the Greek side, ed people with the sort of skil-is suitable for operating light often at inflated prices.

#### **Problems**

In the field of agriculture, the Turks traditionally owned many vineyards when they lived in the southern part of the island, but when they were displaced to the north they found themselves with citrus orchards instead, and some tobacco as well, requiring entirely different skills which are not acquired overnight,

The rate of inflation has been running between 25 and 30 per cent -- much higher than the Greek side of the Island though lower than Turkey. Turkish soldiers are to be seen everywhere There are said to be about 18,000 of them on the island at present and they are likely to remain as a garrison indefinitely, though probably in declining numbers. They provide quite important revenue and even more important se-curity. After the 11-year experience of being cooped up in enclaves -- "I did not see the aea for six years, except from a mountain-top," said one man -- followed by the massacres of 1974, the Turkish Cypriots are deeply fearful of their for-

priots. Some of the problems are very intractable, such as the water shortage which is urgent oow and could become desperate. Basically, the island uses more water than it receives in the form of rain. As fresh water is pumped out of

mer compatriots, the Greek Cy-

existing aquifers for irrigation, sea water is taking its place -- and thousands of dead citrus trees are the sad evidence.

#### Undersea pipeline

There is an ancient legend that a clay water vessel dropped into a stream on the Tur-kish mainland reappeared in the waters of a spring in the mountains ahove Kyrenia. In modern form, this dream of water coming from the mainland reappears as a \$200m. project for an undersea pipeline to bring fresh water across to the island. The cost would be enormous, relative to the small Turkish Cypriot economy (GNP for 1977, \$158m.), but the water could also be sold to the Greek is-landers. "The development of water resources in Cyprus cuts right across political and community boundaries," wrote U.N.-water supply expert Hugh Dixon in a 1974 report.

The main activity is agriculture and the main crop is citrus. The Turks are setting

canning factories in the Morphou area where most of the citrus trees are, and exports of fruit juice, fruit segments and similar products are increasing steadily, according to plant ma-nagers in Morphou.

The shops are well stocked, but on closer inspection one finds that the vast majority of the imported items are meant for the "shopping tourists" who come over from Turkey to get things like electrical equipment which are subject to import restrictions on the mainland. It earns revenue for the island but is not an unmixed hlessing hecause it also puts money into circulation in an inflationary manner.

It is a symptom of this inflation as well as evidence of a sense of security guaranteed by the presence of the Turkish army that a residential building plot in the most fashionable part of the Turkish sector in Nicosia can cost up to £30,000

#### Advantages for elderly

older people going to spend a period in Cyprus, they will find various old-fashioned social characteristics which might well be pleasing to many of them -- and this is equally true of the Greek side, There is very little crime, for example, largely because on such a small island everybody tends to know what everybody elsa is doing. Nobody could drive about for long in a stolen car without encountering either the owner or one of his relatives. Schoolchildren are generally neat, clean and respectful towards their elders . . that again is true on both the Greek and Turkish sides. The rate of literacy is far higher than on the mainland, English has been taught in schools for a long time, so that a great many Turkish Cypriots can speak it fluently.

There is, and always has been, a community of retired "ancient Britons" as they call themselves. They presently number about 200. Some of them gather each day in Peter's Bar in Kyrenia to reminisce over drinks at costs which would delight any hard-drinking pensioner in Europe. There are enough of them to support their own little library as well as to organise a busy prog-

ramme of social events.

The Turks appear well-disposed towards them, and are considering special tax concessions as well as compensation for those who lost their homes when they fied during the fight-ing in 1974.

Thosa who would like to try

Mr. Tansel Fikri's offer of a working boliday can get in touch with bim direct at his ministry by addressing their let-ters via Mersin 10, Turkey, or by contacting the London re-presentative of the Turkish Cy-priots at 28 Cockspur Street, London SW1.

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### JUMBLE THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME by Hann Arnold and Bob Lee Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form From the point of view of four ordinary words. RACHI **KEWOA SAROUE** WHAT YOU MIGHT GIVE IN RESPONSE TO A NEEDLING QUESTION. PONISH

Now arrange the circled letters to form tha surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

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Yesterday's Answer: What the man who drank too much wine became—"PORT-LY"

#### Malaria back the

The war against malaria, which it seemed possible to win a decade ago, is about to intensify once again. With the disease becoming more resistant to the classic drugs and insecticides, the number of cases is on the rise particularly in the developing world.

### By Andrew Lycett

LONDON, (F.T.). — The worldwide incidence of malaria has increased alarmingly in the past five years. The mosquitoborne disease, which appeared to be retreating hefore the advance of new drugs and insecticides only a decade ago, has gained a new virulence. Governments in developing countries are perturbed that malaria could frustrate all their efforts at economic and social

And the World Health Organisation (WHO) is urgently seeking to inject new life into its malaria eradication programme -- started in 1955 but recently somewhat run down.

The extent of the epidemic was revealed in a special report prepared by WHO Director General Dr. Halfdan Mahler and presented to the annual World Health Assembly in Ge-

neva early in May. Malaria cases have more than doubled across the globe over the past five years, says the report, in 1972 3.2m. cases were reported. in 1975 there

were 7.5m. In some countries there has been a thirty to forty fold increase. But the . WHO candidly admits its figures are based only on cases that have been confirmed by the laboratory and reported by the malaria aervices, they therefore represent a considerable underestimate of the actual situation." Indeed case figures from Africa south of the Sahara are not included in these totals because cases there "are not re-ported on a systematic basis."

### Africa hard hit

Africa is one of the contineots worst hit by the resurgence of malaria. In the absence of definite figures, Dr. Mah-ler can only say, "In some countries progress towards eradication has slowed down and in others, particularly in Africa south of the Sahara, very little is being done for the rural populations suffering from malaria."

Other evidence shows the prevalence of malaria in Africa. According to one authority nearly every child and over 12 months in tropical Africa has

malaria. Tanzanian Health Minister, Dr. L. D. Sterling, in a passionate apeech calling on the World Health Assembly to throw its weight behind a renewed malaria eradication programme, declared, "In Tanzan-ia I can count 53 infectious diseases not yet eradicated or even controlled, and of these the greatest is malaria ... This is the disease that erodes our economic effort, and kills our children. Do not look at the hospital statistics; the deaths are not there. Most of the child deaths occur in the village, in less than 12 hours, without ever reaching hospit-

think malaria control is the biggest singla challenge facing WHO. I say this deliberately in the knowledge that this organisation took up this challenge a few years ago, and, as the saying goes, burnt its fingers. I beg this assembly to look again at this problem and hope that WHO will return to the attack."

The Minister concluded, "I

This is exactly what the WHO is bracing itself to do. But in other countries where case figures are more readily available the situation is just as bad. South and South East Asia, including Bangladesh, India, Sri Lanka, and Thailand, are particularly severely hit. Turkey and Central America also show alarmingly high incidence of malaria.

### Mosquitoes resistant

The main reason for the spread of the disease, despite larga scala anti-material prog-rammes, is the resistance of mosquitoes to chloroquin-based preventive drugs and to insecticides. The most deadly malaria strain -- plasmodium falciparum -- has become particularly resistant to 4-aminoquino-

DDT, which is decreasingly effective against mosquitoes, is still used as a blanket base for insecticides in countries striv-ing for agricultural development. The result has been an increase in malaria in the vicinity of farm projects most needed for economic growth.

The WHO reports resistance to chloroquin drugs in 20 untries out of 107 member states. There is resistance to insecticides in 62 countries (25 in Africa, nine in the Americas, 11 in the Eastern Mediterranean, eight in South East Asia, two in the Western Pacific and one in Europe.)

### Preventive measures

To combat the renewed sp-read of malaria the WHO Director General recommends a number of measures. He and his staff are particularly concerned about tha deleterious effects of the disease on socioeconomic growth in the poorest countries. They therefore

suggest pinpointing those most at risk from malaria, and those most crucial to economic development, such as children and industrial workers, and ensuring their protection from the disease with drugs. They advocate a community-based approach to malaria control, with malaria eradication prog-

rammes forming part of affected countries health plans. They promise WHO's assistance in training qualified personnei for malaria programmes, and they indicate that research into the life cycle of the mos-quito should help discover the cheapest and most effective way of killing the vector.

Further research into potent drugs, such as the 8 -- aminoquinolines and triazines, should belp reduce the resistance of the mosquito to drug ther-

### Maiaria in Europe

While malaria is flourishing mosquito-ridden countries, is also staging a comeback in mosquito-free areas such as Europe. In Britain, for example, there were 1527 cases in 1977 with seven deaths, compared with only 336 cases in

In the first quarter of this year there were four deaths, and the number of cases is up pro rata. According to experts, malaria is also a serious problem in France and the Soviet

offensive

The reason for the rise in malaria in Western Europe is the cheap availability of air travel. British people travel to malarious areas without checking on the right prophylactic drug to take (the pill may vary depending on the area and the degree of resistance to various drugs there). They also neglect to maintain their doses of anti-malaria tablets when they return home. Experts recommend continuation of the regime for six weeks after return from an infected area. Particularly badly hit (or careless) are Asian immigrants returning for holidays to their bomes on the Indian sub-continent or in the Far East, They accounted for half the cases in Britain last year.

British doctors who treat malaria want the government and travel firms to take the disease more seriously. They would like its dangers advertised at ports and on travel

The recent WHO report should help them in their campaign. But the real battleground for fighting the disease is in the rural areas of the tropical countries that spewn the anopheline mosquito. Govern-ment are beginning to steel themselves to fight the disease and the WHO is continuing to back them.

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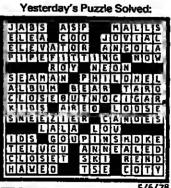
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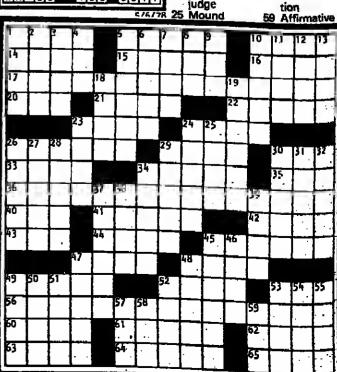
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